

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE No. I-44-87

ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY AUDITORS  
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SUBJECT: AB 3632/AB 882 RETROACTIVE CLAIMING; DATA COLLECTION

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 86-48; ALL COUNTY INFORMATION  
NOTICE (ACIN) I-69-86

This All County Information Notice provides county welfare departments (CWDs) with further information regarding claiming procedures for AB 3632 (Chapter 1747/Statutes of 1984) payments for seriously emotionally disturbed (SED) children placed out-of-home pursuant to an individualized education program (IEP). In addition, it provides general information on AB 3632/AB 882 (Chapter 1274/Statutes of 1985) implementation data which will be required from CWDs.

Claiming

Claiming instructions were issued to CWDs in ACL No. 86-48 (dated June 6, 1986); additional claiming instructions were provided in ACIN I-69-86 (dated July 30, 1986). Payments for SED children should be claimed on a prospective basis. However, if CWDs have been unable to issue initial payments prospectively because of county implementation problems and delays in setting up SED payment systems, payments can be claimed retroactively if the child met all eligibility requirements in the prior months. It is the responsibility of the IEP case manager (county mental health staff) to determine and document eligibility for payment authorization purposes.


If a child's placement costs during the retroactive SED payment period were funded with Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) funds, commensurate negative adjustments to the AFDC-FC claims must be made.


Data Collection

AB 882 requires the State Departments of Social Services (SDSS) and Education (SDE) to report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee by January 1, 1988 regarding any growth in the number of SED children determined to need out-of-home care as a result of AB 3632.

To meet this requirement, SDSS and SDE will be surveying local agencies to collect necessary data. It is anticipated that the SDSS survey will be distributed to CWDs in June, 1987. The survey will cover the first year of AB 3632/AB 882 implementation: July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987. In order to determine the size of the SED population, information to be requested will include the number of children receiving AB 3632 payments, the number of children for whom dependencies were dismissed during the first year, and the number of children for whom dependencies are anticipated to be dismissed by July 1, 1988. In addition, information will be collected on social worker activities in relation to this population and CWD implementation experiences.

If you have any questions on claiming, please contact the Fiscal Policy and Procedures Bureau at (916) 445-7046, ATSS 485-7046. For questions on data collection, contact Lisa Foster at (916) 445-0813, ATSS 485-0813.

  
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